

# Blue Yeti USB Mic for Recording and Streaming User Guide

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# Blue Yeti USB Mic for Recording and Streaming



Yeti is a professional multi-pattern USB microphone that is perfect for recording and streaming. With its easy setup process, it can be used with a variety of software programs, including Audacity, Garageband, iMovie, Ableton, Skype, and more. It is also compatible with popular live-streaming software programs such as Discord, Open Broadcaster Software (OBS), XSplit, and Gameshow.

# **Getting Started with Yeti**

To get started with Yeti, simply plug the microphone into your Mac or PC, select Yeti as your recording input within your chosen software program, and start recording. No drivers are required.

# Using Yeti with PC (Windows 7, 8.1, or 10)4

- 1. Connect Yeti to your PC using the provided USB cable.
- 2. From the Start menu, select the Control Panel.
- 3. From the Control Panel, select the Sound icon.
- 4. Click the Recording tab and select Yeti.
- 5. Click the Playback tab and select Yeti.

# Using Yeti with Mac (macOS 10.10 or higher)

- 1. Connect Yeti to your Mac using the provided USB cable.
- 2. Open System Preferences and select the Sound icon.
- 3. Click the Input tab and select Blue Yeti.
- 4. Click the Output tab and select Yeti.
- 5. Set the Output volume to 100%.

# **Getting to Know Your Yeti**

Yeti has a triple capsule array that consists of three condenser capsules in an innovative configuration to enable great recordings in almost any situation. It also has a microphone gain control that can be adjusted by turning the knob right to increase the level or left to reduce the level. The multiple pattern selection feature allows you to quickly select from four pattern settings (stereo, cardioid, omnidirectional, bidirectional) by rotating the pattern selector knob. Yeti also has a mute button/status light that can be used to mute/unmute the microphone. When muted, the LED status light will flash. The headphone volume control allows you to easily adjust Yeti's headphone output by turning the volume knob. Yeti also includes a standard 1/8 (3.5mm) headphone jack for monitoring and playback. You can use Yeti's headphone output to monitor your microphone recording in real-time without latency delays. Yeti connects to your computer with one simple USB cable and has a standard thread mount that allows you to mount it to a standard microphone studio mount. For broadcast applications, we recommend the Compass desktop boom arm. To isolate Yeti from noise, shock, and ambient vibration, add the Radius III shock mount.

# **Switchable Polar Patterns**

Yeti has four switchable polar patterns:

- 1. Stereo Uses both the left and right channels to capture a wide, realistic sound image—ideal for recording acoustic guitar or choir.
- 2. Omnidirectional Picks up sound equally from all around the mic. It's best used in situations when you want to capture the ambiance of being there–like recording a band's live performance, a multi-person podcast, or a conference call.
- 3. Cardioid Records sound sources that are directly in front of the microphone, delivering rich, full-bodied

sound. Perfect for podcasts, game streaming, vocal performances, voiceovers, and instruments.

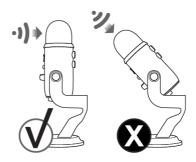
4. Bidirectional – Records from both the front and rear of the microphone – good for recording a duet or a two-person interview.

#### PROFESSIONAL MULTI-PATTERN USB MIC FOR RECORDING AND STREAMING

Congratulations on your purchase of the Yeti, the world's #1 USB microphone! Featuring Blue's innovative tricapsule array, the Yeti lets you record with four unique patterns— stereo, cardioid, omnidirectional, and bidirectional—offering you recording possibilities that usually require multiple microphones. Informed by Blue's illustrious studio legacy, Yeti delivers dramatic, professional sound for podcasting, voiceover, Skype/VoIP, game streaming, vocals, and instruments. There are no drivers to install—simply plug the Yeti into your PC or Mac, load up your favorite recording software, and record something amazing.

#### **GETTING STARTED WITH YETI**

After unpacking your Yeti, rotate the microphone 180 degrees so that the Blue logo and headphone volume control are facing you. Tighten the set screws on the left and right of the base after adjusting the microphone to your desired angle. Connect Yeti to your computer with the supplied USB cable—the LED just above the Blue logo will glow red, indicating power has reached the mic. Yeti is a side-address microphone, which means you should speak, sing, and play into the side of the microphone with the Blue logo facing the sound source, not the top of the microphone. Now you can start recording and streaming in stunning audio quality.



#### **SOFTWARE SETUP**

Whatever your favorite software is—Audacity, Garageband, iMovie, Ableton, Skype, you name it—Yeti will produce amazing results. Simply plug the mic into your Mac or PC, select Yeti as your recording input within your selected software, and start recording—no drivers required. It's that easy. For game streamers, Yeti is compatible with most popular live-streaming software programs including Discord, Open Broadcaster Software (OBS), XSplit, Gameshow, and more.

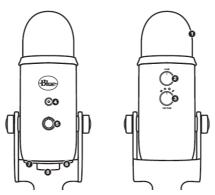
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- 4. Click the Output tab and select Yeti.
- 5. From this screen, set the Output volume to 100%.



# **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR YETI**

- 1. TRIPLE CAPSULE ARRAY Three condenser capsules in an innovative configuration enable great recordings in almost any situation.
- 2. MICROPHONE GAIN Control Yeti's gain (sensitivity). Turn the knob right to increase the level, and left to reduce the level.
- 3. MULTIPLE PATTERN SELECTION Quickly selects from Yeti's four pattern settings (stereo, cardioid, omnidirectional, bidirectional) by rotating the pattern selector knob.
- 4. MUTE BUTTON/STATUS LIGHT Press the mute button to mute/unmute. When muted, the LED status light will flash.
- 5. HEADPHONE VOLUME CONTROL Easily adjusts Yeti's headphone output by turning the volume knob.
- 6. HEADPHONE OUTPUT Yeti includes a standard 1/8" (3.5mm) headphone jack for monitoring and playback. Use Yeti's headphone output to monitor your microphone recording in real-time, without latency delays.
- 7. USB CONNECTION Yeti connects to your computer with one simple USB cable.
- 8. STANDARD THREAD MOUNT If you would like to mount your Yeti to a standard microphone studio mount, remove Yeti from the included desk stand and thread in a standard threaded mount. For broadcast applications, we recommend the Compass desktop boom arm. To isolate Yeti from noise, shock, and ambient vibration add the Radius III shock mount.

# SWITCHABLE POLAR PATTERNS









# 1. STEREO

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#### 2. OMNIDIRECTIONAL

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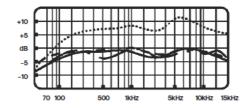
# 3. CARDIOID

Perfect for podcasts, game streaming, vocal performances, voiceovers, and instruments. Cardioid mode

records sound sources that are directly in front of the microphone, delivering rich, full-bodied sound.

#### 4. BIDIRECTIONAL

Records from both the front and rear of the microphone—good for recording a duet or a two-person interview



# FREQUENCY RESPONSE POLAR PATTERN

These charts are a starting point for the sound provided. How the microphone reacts in a particular application will differ depending on the sound source, orientation, and distance from the sound source, room acoustics, and other factors. For more tips on miking and recording techniques, check out <u>bluedesigns.com</u>.

#### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

• Power Required/Consumption: 5V 150mA

• Sample Rate: 48kHz

· Bit Rate: 16bit

• Capsules: 3 Blue-proprietary

• 14mm condenser capsules

· Polar Patterns: Cardioid, Bidirectional,

· Omnidirectional, Stereo

• Frequency Response: 20Hz – 20kHz

• Sensitivity: 4.5mV/Pa (1 kHz)

• Max SPL: 120dB (THD: 0.5% 1kHz)

• Dimensions - mic with stand

• L: 4.72" (12cm) W: 4.92" (12.5cm) H: 11.61" (29.5cm)

• Weight: 3.4lbs (.55kg

# **Headphone Amplifier**

• Impedance: >16 ohms

• Power Output (RMS): 130mW

• THD: 0.009%

• Frequency Response: 15Hz – 22kHz

• Signal to Noise: 100dB

# **SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

# PC

- Windows 7, 8.1, 10
- USB 1.1/2.0/3.0\*
- Please see bluedesigns.com for more details

#### **MAC**

- macOS (10.10 or higher)
- USB 1.1/2.0/3.0\*
- For the best performance, plug Yeti directly into your computer's USB port.
- Avoid using a USB hub

#### **WARRANTY**

Blue Microphones warrants its hardware product against defects in materials and workmanship for a period of TWO (2) YEARS from the date of original retail purchase, provided the purchase was made from an authorized Blue Microphones dealer. This warranty is void if the equipment is altered, misused, mishandled, disassembled, maladjusted, suffers excessive wear, or is serviced by any parties not authorized by Blue Microphones. The warranty does not include transportation costs incurred because of the need for service unless arranged for in advance. Blue Microphones reserves the right to make changes in design and improve upon its products without obligation to install these improvements in any of its products previously manufactured. For warranty service, or for a copy of Blue's Warranty Policy, including a complete list of exclusions and limitations, contact Blue at 818-879-5200. In keeping with our policy of continuous product improvement, Baltic Latvian Universal Electronics (BLUE) reserves the right to alter specifications without prior notice. <a href="https://www.bluedesigns.com">www.bluedesigns.com</a>

#### PRODUCT REGISTRATION

Please take a moment and register Yeti with us. It'll only take a minute and we guarantee you'll sleep better at night. As our way of saying thanks we'll provide you with:\*Not available in all regions—check web site for details. FREE PRODUCT SUPPORT OFFERS FOR DISCOUNTS ON OUR WEBSTORE\* FOR MORE COOL STUFF PLEASE REGISTER AT: BLUEDESIGNS.COM

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#### **Documents / Resources**



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